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*1. DAVID JENKINS, CHIEF DELEGATE OF THE LEAGUE OF
INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS SOCIETIES (LICROSS) IN PAKISTAN.
ON APRIL 12 PRESENTED FORMAL APPEAL TO U.S. TO CONTRI-
BUTE DOLS ONE MILLION TO PAKISTAN RED CRESCENT
SOCIETY FOR AFGHAN REFUGEE RELIEF IN 1983. TEXT OF
APPEAL, AS CONTAINED IN LETTER SIGNED JOINTLY BY SECRETARY
GENERAL OF RED CRESCENT SOCIETY AND JENKINS TO
EMBASSY REFUGEE COUNSELOR, FOLLOWS PARA 2. PARA 3
CONTAINS TEXT OF APPENDIX A OF LETTER AND PARA 4
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APPENDIX B. PARA 5 ELABORATES ON REGULAR AND SPECIAL FUNDING NEEDS OF LICROSS IN 1983.

2. BEGIN TEXT.
ISLAMABAD, APRIL 11, 1983
DEAR MR GREENE.

THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER FOR AFGHAN REFUGEES IN PAKISTAN, BRIGADIER (RETIRED) SAID AZHAR HAS REQUESTED RED CROSS/

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RED CRESCENT TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE "COVERING" RELIEF GOODS FOR 100,000 AFGHAN REFUGEES IN PAKISTAN FOR THE PERIOD 1983/84 (SEE APPENDIX A). TO CARRY OUT THIS MANITARIAN WORK FOR A YEAR REQUIRES DOLS 2,000,000.00.

DURING TST 3 YEARS, THE U.S. HAS PROVIDED OOLS 1,000,000.00 EACH YEAR TO ASSIST IN THIS CONTINUING RELIEF PROGRAMME, AS THE RED CROSS/RED CRESCENT IS GOING TO CONTINUE THIS PROGRAMME. YOUR VALUABLE FINANCIAL SUPPORT IS GREATLY NEEDED TO MAKE IT SUCCESSFUL AND ONCE AGAIN WE ASK FOR DOLS 1,000,000.00 FOR THE COWING YEAR'S RELIEF OPERATION ON BEHALF OF THE AFGHAN REFUGEES.

THE RELIEF GOODS TO BE PURCHASED ARE LISTED IN APPENDIX B WHICH SHOWS THE COST PER ITEM AND THE TOTAL ITEMS NEEDED. PLEASE NOTE THAT CANVAS SHOES ARE BEING PROVIDED INSTEAD OF CHAPPALS (FRONTIER SANDALS) AS EXPERIENCE HAS SHOWN THEY ARE BETTER SUITED FOR SMALL CHILDREN. ALSO ONLY KHADDAR CLOTH IS BEING PROVIDED AS IT CAN BE UTILIZED BY ALL THE REFUGEES.

THE LEAGUE OF RED CROSS HAS DESIGNATED DR. MIR RIFAT MAHMOOD, SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE PAKISTAN RED CRESCENT SOCIETY, AS THEIR REPRESENTATIVE FOR DONATED FUNDS AND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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WE WILL CARRY OUT THE DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS AND PROVIDE THE ACCOUNTABILITY AND AUDIT STATEMENTS.

IN PREVIOUS YEARS THE U.S. HAS TRANSFERRED THESE FUNDS IN A LUMP SUM TO FACILITATE THE BULK PURCHASE OF THE RELIEF GOODS. IT WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED IF THIS ONE LARGE GRANT COULD BE REPEATED FOR THIS YEAR'S DONATION AND THE CHEQUE BE MADE PAYABLE TO THE PAKISTAN RED CRESCENT SOCIETY AND DELIVERED TO THE SECRETARY GENERAL DR. MIR RIFAT MAHMOOD.

IT IS ALSO TO BE NOTED THAT THIS REQUEST FOR 1 MILLION DOLLARS IS NOT REPEAT NOT PART OF THE REQUEST SUBMITTED IN PAKISTAN RED CRESCENT SOCIETY'S LETTER NO. PRC-1/AR/79 DATED 17 JANUARY, 1983. END TEXT.

3. APPENDIX A: LETTER FROM BRIG. (RETD) SAID AZHAR, CHIEF COMMISSIONER FOR AFGHAN REFUGEES, TO SECRETARY GENERAL, PAKISTAN RED CRESCENT SOCIETY. BEGIN TEXT.

REFERENCE VERBAL CONVERSATION CHIEF COMMISSIONER AFGHAN REFUGEES/SECRETARY GENERAL PAKISTAN RED CRESCENT OF FEBRUARY, 1983.

I WISH TO CONVEY MY THANKS FOR YOUR EXTREMELY PROMPT RESPONSE IN PROVIDING 2000 TENTS FOR MIANWALI DISTRICT WITHIN A WEEK. THIS WOULD GO A LONG WAY IN HELPING THE PROVINCIAL AUTHORITIES TO KEEP THE TEMPO OF THEIR

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WORK GOING. I ALSO HOPE YOUR ORGANIZATION WILL CONTINUE
YOUR ORIGINAL PROGRAMME OF SUPPORTING 100,000 REFUGEES
IN 1983 IN TERMS OF SHELTER, CLOTHING, MEDICAL DIS-
PENSARIES ETC. END TEXT.

4. APPENDIX B. USE WHICH PAKISTAN RED CRESCENT SOCIETY
PROPOSES TO MAKE OF U.S. CONTRIBUTION. BEGIN TEXT.

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DATED 11 APRIL, 1983,

RELIEF ASSISTANCE TO AFGHAN REFUGEES BY LICROSS & PRC

1ST APRIL 1983 - 31ST MARCH 1984

IN KEEPING WITH THE PAKISTAN GOVERNMENT'S REQUEST, SEE
APPENDIX A, THAT THE RED CRESCENT CONTINUE ITS HUMANI-
TARIAN RELIEF PROGRAMME TO AID 100,000 AFGHAN REFUGEES
IN PAKISTAN DURING 1983/84 THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE
REQUIRED TO PROVIDE THE "COVER" ASKED FOR BY THE
GOVERNMENT: -

ITEM	UNIT COST	TOTAL
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4,000 TENTS	RS. 1500 EACH	RS. 6,000,000
30,000 QUILTS	85	2,550,000
50,000 LONG SLEEVE		
- SWEATERS LARGE	57	2,850,000
50,000 LONG SLEEVE		
- SWEATERS SMALL	30	1,500,000
150,000 KHADDAR CLOTH IN		
- 8 METERS LENGTH	8 PER METER	1,200,000

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75,000 SOCKS - WOOL	10	750,000
20,000 KITCHEN UTENSILS		
- SETS OF 20 PIECES)	150 PER SET	3,000,000
50,000 TOWELS	10	500,000
50,000 CANVAS SHOES	25	1,250,000
	TOTAL	19,600,000

THE U.S. EMBASSY IN ISLAMABAD HAS VERBALLY INDICATED THAT IT WILL SUPPORT A REQUEST FOR ONE MILLION DOLLARS TO HELP FINANCE THE RC RELIEF PROGRAMME FOR AFGHAN REFUGEES IN 1983/84. AS YET NO WRITTEN CONFIRMATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED ABOUT OUR REQUEST. IF PRCS RECEIVES THIS LARGE GENEROUS DONATION, LICROSS NEEDS TO RAISE ONE MILLION DOLLARS FROM OTHER SOURCES, AS IT HAS DONE IN THE PAST THREE YEARS, TO MEET THE BUDGET REQUIREMENT TO "COVER" 100,000 REFUGEES.

PROCEDURES FOR PRCS TO PURCHASE RELIEF GOODS ARE THOSE APPLICABLE TO THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH OF PAKISTAN. ALL PURCHASES ARE OBTAINED THROUGH COMPETITIVE BIDS. MANUFACTURERS THAT ARE SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS ARE DIRECTED TO DELIVER THE GOODS TO THE PROVINCIAL BRANCHES OF PRCS FOR DISTRIBUTION. DISTRIBUTION TO THE REFUGEE CAMPS IS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ACCORDING TO DIRECTIONS RECEIVED FROM THE PROVINCIAL COMMISSIONERS FOR AFGHAN REFUGEES.
(SIGNED) D.W. JENKINS CHIEF DELEGATE END TEXT.

5. IN JANUARY EMBASSY TRANSMITTED REFTTEL A SUMMARY OF REGULAR AND SPECIAL RUPEE FUNDING NEEDS IN FY 83 OF LICROSS, UNHCR, ETC. THIS INCLUDED THE EQUIVALENT OF DOLS ONE MILLION IN RUPEES TO LICROSS FOR THE REGULAR AFGHAN REFUGEE RELIEF PROGRAM OF THE PAKISTAN RED CRESCENT, AND THE EQUIVALENT OF DOLS 216,488 (AT RS. 12.90 NE DOLLAR) FOR HEALTH UNITS FOR NEW CAMPS FOR REFUGEES IN THE MIANWALI DISTRICT OF THE PUNJAB. THE APPEAL CONTAINED IN PARAS 2-4 ABOVE IS THE "REGULAR" APPEAL FOR DOLS ONE MILLION. THE SPECIAL REQUEST FOR HEALTH UNITS WAS CONTAINED IN A LETTER FROM THE PAKISTAN RED CRESCENT TO THE EMBASSY DATED JANUARY 17, 1984 AND IS REFERRED TO IN THE LAST PARAGRAPH OF THE APRIL 11 LETTER (SEE PARAGRAPH 2 ABOVE: ALSO PARA 5 REFTTEL).

6. EMBASCOMMENDS U.S. RESPOND FAVORABLY TO THE LICROSS APPEAL FOR DOLS 1 MILLION. WE RECOMMEND PAYMENT BE MADE IN U.S.-OWNED RUPEES, IN A LUMP SUM TO ENABLE PAKISTAN RED CRESCENT SOCIETY TO BENEFIT FROM SAVINGS OF BULK ORDERING. WE ALSO RECOMMEND THAT PAYMENT BE MADE NOT LATER THAN AUGUST 1983 TO ENABLE RED CRESCENT TO ORDER AND RECEIVE SUPPLIES BEFORE ONSET OF

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WINTER. AS THE 1982 CONTRIBUTION WAS NOT RECEIVED BY
PAKISTAN RED CRESCENT SOCIETY UNTIL LATE OCTOBER, SOME
DESIRED REFUGEE RELIEF ITEMS COULD NOT BE ORDERED
AND DELIVERED BEFORE WINTER. KING

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